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Applicants:)
 R. Paul Schaudies, et al.)
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 For: METHOD FOR DETECTING A)
 BIOLOGICAL ENTITY IN A SAMPLE)

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2005, applicants respectfully submit the following amendment and remarks. A Declaration by R. Paul Schaudies Under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 is enclosed. Filed herewith is a Request for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the fee required to extend the period to respond to the Office Action to December 17, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 19 of this paper.

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